

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COLUMBIA DIVISION

RICHARD KOUGH, BRIAN
LITTLEJOHN, CRAIG PRIESTER,
STERLING HARLEY, THERL TAYLOR,
ROY SUTHERLAND and JOSEPH
WILSON

PLAINTIFFS,

v.

SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF
CORRECTIONS, WARDEN LEVERN
COHEN, INDIVIDUALLY AND/OR IN
HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS WARDEN
OF RIDGELAND CORRECTIONAL
INSTITUTION,

DEFENDANTS.

Civil Action No. 0:17-2938-JFA-PJG

**ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANT
SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT
OF CORRECTIONS' MOTION FOR
LEAVE TO TAKE THE DEPOSITION
OF PLAINTIFF ROY SUTHERLAND
(SCDC #323075)**

This matter comes before the Court in response to a Motion for Leave to Take a Deposition, filed by Defendant South Carolina Department of Corrections, who seeks to take the deposition of Plaintiff Inmate Roy Sutherland, SCDC #323075. The proposed deponent is an inmate that is currently incarcerated within the South Carolina Department of Corrections. Rule 30(a)(2)(B) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure requires that a party must obtain leave of Court if the person to be examined is confined in prison, and it appearing that the named Plaintiff has filed suit in the United States District Court of South Carolina, seeking damages allegedly resulting from the actions and/or inactions of Defendant South Carolina Department of Corrections while the named Plaintiff was incarcerated at the Ridgeland Correctional Institution.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, upon Defendant South Carolina Department of Corrections' Motion, that leave of Court is granted for the deposition of Plaintiff Inmate Roy

Sutherland, SCDC #323075, in accordance with Rule 30(a)(2)(B) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 21st day of December, 2018.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Paige J. Gossett", is written over a horizontal line.

Paige J. Gossett
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

December 21, 2018
Columbia, South Carolina